



In Art, a Roundwood leaver will know:

...art provides opportunity for creativity and encourages self-expression, experimentation and investigation. Practising and learning about art gives children an insight into the cultural and historical contexts in which art is created and promotes an awareness of different ways to see and interpret the world. By developing their visual literacy, pupils learn to think critically about art and through exposure to a range of media and stimuli, pupils develop the skills and confidence to explore their own ideas, developing preferences and personal style.

Art provides opportunities for children at Roundwood Primary school to express themselves in different ways. The journey begins in the Foundation Stage with pupils experimenting with mark making, drawing, painting and junk modelling.

As our pupils move through the school, they begin to explore art in different forms, learning about art from different periods in history and cultures around the world.

In Key Stage One, pupils develop their observation skills and begin to articulate their responses to art work more clearly. As they produce their own art, children develop skills in drawing, painting, textiles and sculpture, continually improving their technique as they begin to develop their own preferences for different media. Children are encouraged to think creatively, to try out new ideas and tackle any problems that may arise. They develop their own thinking and questioning skills and through self and peer evaluation, are encouraged to adapt and refine their initial ideas as they go along.

As pupils move in to Key Stage Two, they begin to compile a sketchbook to record their personal responses to art work and to try out and experiment with new ideas. They become more proficient in drawing, (for example using sketching to show light and shadow or considering perspective in their compositions), try out different painting techniques, use a wider variety of sculpting materials (papier mache, mod roc, clay) and begin to develop their own preferences and styles.

Pupils have the chance to participate in specialist art workshops, there is an extra-curricular art club and the whole school takes part in The National Gallery's "Take One Picture".